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SUBJECT: CSCE: SUB-COMMITTEE ON MILITARY SECURITY

(CBM'S); TURKISH STATEMENT

1. AT JAN 28 MEETING, TURKISH REPRESENTATIVE
GAVE SUB-COMMITTEE THE MOST REVEALING INDICATION
TO DATE OF DIFFERENCES EXISTING AMONG NATO DELEGATIONS
CONCERNING CONFIDENCE BUILDING MEASURES(CBM'S). IN
COMMENTING OF WORKING PAPER TABLED LAST WEEK BY FRG,
TURKISH REP EXPRESSED DISCORDANT VIEWS REGARDING
PAPER'S TREATMENT OF MILITARY MOVEMENTS, THRESHOLD
FOR NOTIFICATION AND AREA OF APPLICATION.

2. REGARDING MOVEMENTS, TURKISH REP OBSERVED THAT
SUB-COMMITTEE DISCUSSIONS HAD REVEALED BASIC OPPOSITION
FROM MANY COUNTRIES TO SETTING SAME CRITERIA FOR
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MOVEMENTS AS FOR MANEUVERS, AS IS DONE IN FRG PAPER.
HE STATED THAT LOOSER, MORE FLEXIBLE CRITERIA

MIGHT INCREASE ACCEPTABILITY OF MEASURE COVERING MOVEMENTS. AS TO AREA, TURKISH REP EXPRESSED GENERAL AGREEMENT WITH PAPER'S STIPULATION OF "THE WHOLE OF EUROPE" BUT STRESSED THAT CONSIDERATION NEEDS TO BE GIVEN TO THE SPECIAL GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION OF SOME STATES, SUCH AS TURKEY, WHICH BORDER NATIONS NOT PARTICIPATING IN THE CSCE. WITH REGARD TO THRESHOLD FOR NOTIFICATION, HE EXPRESSED VIEW THAT AMPHIBIOUS MANEUVERS HAVE ADDED SIGNIFICANCE AND FOR THESE MANEUVERS THE LEVEL OF NOTIFICATION SHOULD BE BROUGHT DOWN TO TWO BRIGADES.

3. THE TURKISH DELEGATION HAD PREVIOUSLY PRESSED ITS POSITION ON THE ABOVE POINTS AT NATO CAUCUSES HERE BUT IT HAD NOT BEEN EXPECTED THAT THEY WOULD SURFACE THEIR VIEWS AT THE SUB-COMMITTEE SO SOON. MORE-OVER, THE BRITISH HAD EARLIER URGED THE TURKS TO REFRAIN AS LONG AS POSSIBLE FROM REVEALING THEIR POSITION ON AREA OF APPLICATION BECAUSE THIS WOULD TEND TO STRENGTHEN THE SOVIET CASE FOR SPECIAL ZONES. THE UK'S TURN-DOWN OF THE TURKISH AMENDMENT ON AMPHIBIOUS FORCES AT THE JANUARY 25 CAUCUS (GENEVA 522) APPARENTLY PROMPTED THE TURKS TO PUT THEIR POSITIONS ON RECORD NOW. BASSIN

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